CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A compound of the formula:

wherein:

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R¹ and R² each independently is hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, acyl, halo, nitro, amino, cyano, alkoxy, hydroxy, aryloxy, alkylthio, arylthio, thiol, carbonylamino,

aminocarbonyl, or haloalkyl;

R³ and R⁴ each independently is hydrogen, halo, alkyl, acyl, aryl, or arylalkyl; R⁵ is:

n is 0 to 4;

R⁶ in each independent occurrence is hydrogen, alkyl, alkoxy, or halo;

 R^7 and R^8 each independently is hydrogen or alkyl; and

R⁹ is hydrogen, alkyl, or arylalkyl;

or an individual isomer, a racemic or non racemic mixture of isomers, a prodrug, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

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- 2. The compound of claim 1, wherein R^3 and R^4 each independently is hydrogen, halo or alkyl.
- 3. The compound of claim 1, wherein R¹ and R² each independently is hydrogen, halo, or alkoxy.

- 4. The compound of claim 1, wherein n is 1 and wherein R⁶ is hydrogen or halo.
- 5. The compound of claim 1, wherein R⁷ and R⁸ are hydrogen.
 - 6. The compound of claim 1, wherein R⁹ is hydrogen or alkyl.
 - 7. The compound of claim 1, wherein:

10 R¹ and R² each independently is hydrogen, halo, or alkoxy;

R³ and R⁴ each independently is hydrogen, halo or alkyl;

n is 1 and R⁶ is hydrogen or halo;

R⁷ and R⁸ are hydrogen; and

R⁹ is hydrogen or alkyl.

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8. The compound of claim 7, wherein said compound has the formula:

9. The compound of claim 7, wherein said compound has the formula:

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10. The compound of claim 7, wherein said compound has the formula:

- 11. The compound of claim 8, wherein one of R¹ and R² is halo and the other is hydrogen.
- 12. The compound of claim 10, wherein one of R¹ and R² is halo and the other is hydrogen.
 - 13. The compound of claim 12, wherein n is 1 and R^6 is halo.
 - 14. The compound of claim 12, wherein n is 0.
 - 15. The compound of claim 10, wherein R^1 and R^2 are hydrogen.
- 15 16. The compound of claim 15, wherein n is 1 and R^6 is halo.
 - 17. The compound of claim 15, wherein n is 0.
 - 18. The compound of claim 12, wherein R⁹ is hydrogen.
 - 19. The compound of claim 12, wherein R^9 is methyl.
 - 20. The compound of claim 13, wherein R⁹ is hydrogen.
- 25 21. The compound of claim 13, wherein R⁹ is methyl.

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- 22. The compound of claim 14, wherein R^9 is hydrogen.
- 23. The compound of claim 14, wherein R⁹ is methyl.
- 5 24. The compound of claim 15, wherein R⁹ is hydrogen.
 - 25. The compound of claim 15, wherein R⁹ is methyl.
 - 26. The compound of claim 16, wherein R⁹ is hydrogen.
 - 27. The compound of claim 16, wherein R⁹ is methyl.
 - 28. The compound of claim 17, wherein R⁹ is hydrogen.
- 15 29. The compound of claim 17, wherein R⁹ is methyl.

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- 30. A pharmaceutical composition comprising, comprising a compound of claim 1 together with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 31. A method for treating a central nervous system disease state in a subject, said method comprising administering to said subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 1.
- 32. The method of Claim 31, wherein the disease state comprises a disease selected from psychoses, schizophrenia, manic depressions, neurological disorders, memory disorders, attention deficit disorder, Parkinson's disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, Alzheimer's disease and Huntington's disease.
- 33. A method for treating a disorder of the gastrointestinal tract in a subject, said method comprising administering to said subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 1.

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34. A method for treating obesity in a subject, said method comprising administering to said subject a therapeutically effective amount of a of a compound of claim 1.

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35. A method for producing a compound of claim 1, comprising contacting a 4-halobenzenesulfonyl-indole of the formula:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^2 & R^3 & R^4 \\
 & O & \\
 & N & S & \\
 & O & \\
 & R^1 & O & \\
 & (R^6)_n & \\
\end{array}$$

with a piperazine of the formula:

$$R^8$$
 R^9

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to produce a compound of the formula: